

**PIFSC Report on the American Samoa Limited-access Longline Fishery
from 1 January to 30 June 2013¹**

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The following tables represent effort, retained catch (kept) and discards as reported on longline logsheets for the American Samoa limited-access longline fishery. Effort and catch-effort statistics are based on date of longline haul. Effort and catch statistics are based on logbook data submitted to the PIFSC, FRMD and represent an Oracle table LLDS_REPORT_STATS_AS database extraction done on 29 February 2016. When a statistic (number of vessels, trips) can involve dates of haul in 2 summary periods (i.e. years, semi-annual, quarters) the item is counted in both summary periods. Thus, a trip total is for “partial and completed” trips. As such, these statistics are not additive (i.e. sum of 4 quarters is not the total for the year, etc).

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Table 1. Six-month summary report of fishing effort and catch statistics for U.S. longline vessels based in American Samoa as derived from NMFS Western Pacific Daily Longline Fishing Log records. Catch and effort statistics are based on date of longline haul. Data Source: PIFSC Information Management System, Longline Logbook Data.

Report Coverage

Time Period 1 January - 30 June, 2013
Set Types All Sets
Fishing Area All Areas

Number of vessels active	22
Number of trips (partial or completed)	58
Number of sets	1,493
Number of hooks set	4,416,409

Pelagic Management Unit Species (PMUS)	Number Caught	Number Kept	Number Released	CPUE Number Caught per 1000 Hooks
PMUS				
Billfish PMUS				
Blue marlin	679	221	458	0.15
Striped marlin	156	46	110	0.04
Shortbill spearfish	501	13	488	0.11
Swordfish	113	62	51	0.03
Other billfishes	170	22	148	0.04
Total	1,619	364	1,255	0.37
Shark PMUS				
Blue shark	882	16	866	0.20
Mako sharks	111	0	111	0.03
Thresher sharks	106	0	106	0.02
Oceanic whitetip shark	277	1	276	0.06
Silky shark	191	0	191	0.04
Other Sharks	0	0	0	0.00
Total	1,567	17	1,550	0.35
Tuna PMUS				
Albacore	58,828	58,636	192	13.32
Bigeye tuna	2,203	2,143	60	0.50
Yellowfin tuna	9,683	9,613	70	2.19
Bluefin tuna	6	6	0	0.00
Skipjack tuna	4,638	4,553	85	1.05
Other tunas	0	0	0	0.00
Total	75,358	74,951	407	17.06
Other PMUS				
Mahimahi	468	387	81	0.11
Moonfish	172	34	138	0.04
Wahoo	3,018	2,243	775	0.68
Oilfish	2,529	5	2,524	0.57
Pomfret	454	29	425	0.10
Total	6,641	2,698	3,943	1.50
Total PMUS	85,185	78,030	7,155	19.29
Total Non-PMUS	528	5	523	0.12
Total All Species	85,713	78,035	7,678	19.41

Table 2. Six-month summary report of fishing effort and catch statistics for U.S. longline vessels based in American Samoa as derived from NMFS Western Pacific Daily Longline Fishing Log records. Catch and effort statistics are based on date of longline haul. Data Source: PIFSC Information Management System, Longline Logbook Data.

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Time Period 1 January - 30 June, 2013
Set Types All Sets
Fishing Area American Samoa EEZ

Number of vessels active	22
Number of trips (partial or completed)	57
Number of sets	1,244
Number of hooks set	3,662,627

Pelagic Management Unit Species (PMUS)	Number Caught	Number Kept	Number Released	CPUE Number Caught per 1000 Hooks
PMUS				
Billfish PMUS				
Blue marlin	523	104	419	0.14
Striped marlin	143	41	102	0.04
Shortbill spearfish	414	9	405	0.11
Swordfish	68	38	30	0.02
Other billfishes	160	20	140	0.04
Total	1,308	212	1,096	0.36
Shark PMUS				
Blue shark	815	16	799	0.22
Mako sharks	109	0	109	0.03
Thresher sharks	100	0	100	0.03
Oceanic whitetip shark	232	1	231	0.06
Silky shark	125	0	125	0.03
Other Sharks	0	0	0	0.00
Total	1,381	17	1,364	0.38
Tuna PMUS				
Albacore	46,974	46,882	92	12.83
Bigeye tuna	1,486	1,430	56	0.41
Yellowfin tuna	8,830	8,760	70	2.41
Bluefin tuna	0	0	0	0.00
Skipjack tuna	3,658	3,577	81	1.00
Other tunas	0	0	0	0.00
Total	60,948	60,649	299	16.64
Other PMUS				
Mahimahi	429	354	75	0.12
Moonfish	155	24	131	0.04
Wahoo	2,600	1,825	775	0.71
Oilfish	2,357	5	2,352	0.64
Pomfret	426	23	403	0.12
Total	5,967	2,231	3,736	1.63
Total PMUS	69,604	63,109	6,495	19.00
Total Non-PMUS	528	5	523	0.14
Total All Species	70,132	63,114	7,018	19.15

Table 3. Six-month summary report of fishing effort and catch statistics for U.S. longline vessels based in American Samoa as derived from NMFS Western Pacific Daily Longline Fishing Log records. Catch and effort statistics are based on date of longline haul. Data Source: PIFSC Information Management System, Longline Logbook Data.

Report Coverage

Time Period 1 January - 30 June, 2013
Set Types All Sets
Fishing Area Outside American Samoa EEZ

Number of vessels active	8
Number of trips (partial or completed)	11
Number of sets	249
Number of hooks set	753,782

Pelagic Management Unit Species (PMUS)	Number Caught	Number Kept	Number Released	CPUE Number Caught per 1000 Hooks
PMUS				
Billfish PMUS				
Blue marlin	156	117	39	0.21
Striped marlin	13	5	8	0.02
Shortbill spearfish	87	4	83	0.12
Swordfish	45	24	21	0.06
Other billfishes	10	2	8	0.01
Total	311	152	159	0.41
Shark PMUS				
Blue shark	67	0	67	0.09
Mako sharks	2	0	2	0.00
Thresher sharks	6	0	6	0.01
Oceanic whitetip shark	45	0	45	0.06
Silky shark	66	0	66	0.09
Other Sharks	0	0	0	0.00
Total	186	0	186	0.25
Tuna PMUS				
Albacore	11,854	11,754	100	15.73
Bigeye tuna	717	713	4	0.95
Yellowfin tuna	853	853	0	1.13
Bluefin tuna	6	6	0	0.01
Skipjack tuna	980	976	4	1.30
Other tunas	0	0	0	0.00
Total	14,410	14,302	108	19.12
Other PMUS				
Mahimahi	39	33	6	0.05
Moonfish	17	10	7	0.02
Wahoo	418	418	0	0.55
Oilfish	172	0	172	0.23
Pomfret	28	6	22	0.04
Total	674	467	207	0.89
Total PMUS	15,581	14,921	660	20.67
Total Non-PMUS	0	0	0	0.00
Total All Species	15,581	14,921	660	20.67